

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the Missouri Senate is fully cognizant of the important role which the Boy Scouts of America organization plays in offering a well-rounded program of activities designed to prepare young men for the many diverse challenges of responsible citizenship; and

WHEREAS, James Aaron Burgess, a resident of Blue Springs, Missouri, has been privileged to participate in such activities as a loyal, diligent, and industrious member of Troop 865, which will bestow upon him the rank of Eagle Scout during appropriate ceremonies on June 3, 2004, at St. Mark's Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, James culminated eight years of Scouting endeavor with the successful completion of his required Eagle project that took him many hours to plan, organize, and carry out for the overall benefit of others by clearing rocks from the new football field at Sunny Vale Middle School; and

WHEREAS, the son of James and Karen Burgess, James always took the time and continually put forth the energy to perform his duties in the most efficient and effective manner possible and truly excelled while assuming responsibility as Den Chief, Troop Scribe, and Order of the Arrow Troop Representative and Chapter Chief; and

WHEREAS, James has ample reason to be exceedingly proud of his other impressive achievements which include attending three summer camps at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation, going on a High Adventure trip to the Florida Sea Base, and earning thirty-two merit badges, Brotherhood membership in the Order of the Arrow, and the status of Foxman in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say; and

WHEREAS, it is only with the commitment, ability, and enthusiasm of such young Missourians as James Burgess that America can continue to maintain respect as the greatest nation in the world:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the members of the Missouri Senate, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in conveying to James Burgess a message of appreciation for his steadfast determination to succeed in Scouts, in congratulating him upon attaining the rank of Eagle, and in wishing him much fulfillment in pursuing new avenues of challenge in the years ahead; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout James Aaron Burgess.